# REDMOND CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY

Council Conference Room 15670 NE 85<sup>th</sup> Street, Redmond, Washington

Tuesday, July 19, 2016

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Byron Shutz, Chair Kim Allen, Member (not in attendance) David Carson, Member John Stilin (Attending Council Member) Hank Margeson (Attending Council Member) Angela Birney (Attending Council Member)

#### Staff

Tom Norton, Battalion Chief
Charlie Gorman, Police Commander
Kent Hay, Program Coordinator
Michael Hilley, Battalion Chief
Tommy Smith, Fire Chief
Colleen Kelly, Assistant Director of Community
Planning
Douglas Jones, Fire Apparatus Program
Supervisor
Cheryl Xanthos, Deputy City Clerk

Convened: 4:30 p.m. Adjourned 5:12 p.m.

Committee Chair Byron Shutz called the meeting to order, reviewed attendance, and overviewed the agenda.

### **Cascadia Rising**

Mr. Charlie Gorman, Police Commander, provided a recap of Cascadia Rising:

- regional exercise occurred on June 7, 2016, simulating a 9.0 earthquake;
- goal was to practice coordination and communication;
- Emergency Command Center was activated and included City staff and volunteers;
- Department Operating Centers were activated;
- shift change simulation;
- more training is necessary for City staff; and
- software platform evaluation.

General discussion ensued regarding next steps for increasing training for staff.

#### Derby Days Event Planning, Incident Action Plans and 4th of July Activities

Mr. Tommy Smith, Fire Chief, stated that the NIMS ICS will be used for planned events. A special events planning team will be made up of staff members who are also consistent members of the ECC. The 15-member team will have the experience and knowledge to deal with an emergency situation.

Mr. Tom Norton, Battalion Chief, stated that an Incident Action Plan has been used twice recently: 4<sup>th</sup> of July and Derby Days. For the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, they look at the weather and what is going on in the region and make a plan for what they anticipate will happen. The Fire Department also works with other cities for their events. The After Action Report is where staff determines what went well, what didn't, and what should be done in the future. Derby Days uses a unified plan with Parks, the Fire Department, and the Police Department to work together and share command. A predetermined action plan helps to deal with emergencies. There was a high level of communication and coordination.

General discussion ensued regarding what events should implement these plans.

### **10 New Hires** (this item was rearranged during the meeting)

Battalion Chief Norton stated that there are 11 new hires, replacing people who have retired. The new hires will take part in regional training and are working on their EMT skills before they go on shift work in November. More hiring may be needed in January.

# **Coffee with a Cop**

Commander Gorman stated that this was instituted in 2015, and gives the public the opportunity to have a conversation with the Police Chief. The Council will be alerted to the next date for this program.

## **Trespass Letters**

Commander Gorman stated that some of the large complex owners want to put out some blanket trespass letters to deal with people loitering in their complexes. It may not be workable for the Police Department, and they will look into other ways to accomplish this goal including proper signage and utilizing current laws.

General discussion ensued regarding the authority of property owners giving the Police Department permission to enter private property to enforce trespassing laws; loitering ordinances; and discretion in enforcement.

#### Homelessness in Redmond - Introduce New Outreach Employee

Ms. Colleen Kelly, Assistant Director of Community Planning, introduced Mr. Kent Hay, Program Coordinator, who was interviewed and selected as the new outreach employee. He has been working with the Neighborhood Resource Officers to get out in the community.

Mr. Hay provided his background and stated he is working to partner with the library; meeting with people to get them into services; providing resources on programs for younger people; and services for single moms.

General discussion ensued regarding Council support; expected progress; coordination among cities; working with downtown businesses; working with the teen center and schools; and sharing success stories.

# **Cost Reimbursement Agreement**

Commander Gorman stated that this is funds that the Police Department receives as a reimbursement for monitoring registered sex offenders that live in the City of Redmond. An officer makes regular checks on these individuals to ensure they are living where they are supposed to be and to see if they are having any issues.

General discussion ensued regarding outreach efforts and who provides the reimbursement.

### **New Apparatus**

Chief Smith stated that during the last budget cycle, several new vehicles were approved for purchase for the Fire Department.

Mr. Douglas Jones, Fire Apparatus Program Supervisor, provided pictures of the new vehicles and stated that there are five new aid units, three medic units, two pumpers and one aerial truck. The aerial truck will be delivered in September and will be in service in October. The aid and medic units will come into service late this month and the pumpers in late August.

General discussion ensued regarding improvements; difference between aid and medic units; and power load systems.

## **Safety Stand Down Week Presentations**

Mr. Michael Hilley, Battalion Chief, stated that two speakers were brought in for Safety Stand Down Week.

- Aurora Fire Department: Theatre shooting in 2012 Chief Ray Garcia from Aurora, Colorado, provided presentations to both the north and sound ends of the region. Chief Garcia spoke regarding the response and aftermath of the shootings.
- Firefighter Rehab: Dr. McEvoy spoke regarding firefighter health and safety.